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Picture Yourself in the Heartland

Visitor Guide & Map



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Picture Yourself in Carroll County

Picture Yourself among rolling hills and serene rural beauty nearly untouched by urban sprawl in the heart of the Wabash River valley, scenic rural routes that wind around lush fields and along the banks of gently flowing rivers. Enjoy small, friendly communities scattered on the rural landscape, which offer a variety of amenities including antique shops, museums, art galleries, and an array of unique dining experiences.

***Picture yourself
in Carroll County
creating memories that
will last a lifetime!***



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On behalf of the Carroll County Chamber of Commerce, we welcome you. Whether you are visiting from far away or just around the corner, we have something to offer everyone. While many of our neighbors and old friends know us for our agriculture and industry you can now use this guidebook to visit our growing attractions and engaging communities. Picture yourself participating in a bit of Indiana history, traversing a river or creek, finding that perfect antique or enjoying a delicious home-cooked meal.

Just an hour north of Indianapolis and minutes from Purdue University, Prophetstown, Indiana Beach, and other regional points of interest, Carroll County is a day trip from many locations. We offer a weekend's worth of Indiana history, outdoor recreation, unique architecture, and local flavor.

Carroll County lies in the heartland of the Midwest. In 1828, General Samuel Milroy presented a petition for the formation of Carroll County, named for Charles Carroll of Carrollton, the last surviving signer of the Declaration of Independence. Carroll County was the 58th of Indiana's 92 counties to be formed. The first settlers came to Carroll County in 1824. The county seat of government was originally called Carrollton but was soon changed to Delphi, and the first courthouse was completed in 1832.



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Adams Mill

John Adams walked east along Wildcat Creek from Lafayette to find a suitable site for a mill.

He built a dam upstream where the Wildcat forms an oxbow and constructed his first sawmill in 1831 and his second gristmill in 1845.

The dam backed up water to feed the millrace that powered the mill turbines. Tailwater exiting the mill returned to the creek, as the oxbow bends back to the west, almost a mile downstream but only about 200 yards from the dam.

A community called Bolivar sprang up around the mill, complete with store and blacksmith to serve the farmers who brought their grain to grind.

The mill is now a Museum of Americana displaying a Conestoga wagon, agricultural implements, tradesmen's tools, and household items from the 1800s and early 1900s.

It also housed a Masonic Lodge and Post Office which still have their original spaces.

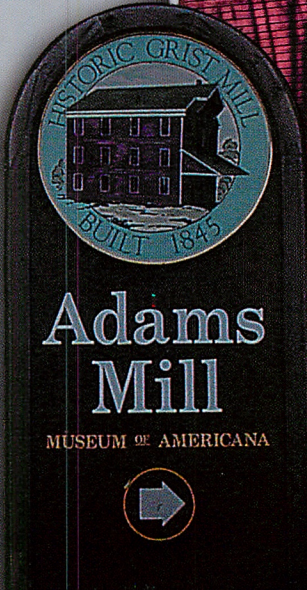
A prime example of post and beam construction, Adams Mill is typical of the 19th century agricultural structures in

Indiana. No nails were used in the original framework, only wooden pegs. Posts and beams are made of walnut and the joists are of oak. All the lumber was harvested locally and hand-hewn or cut on site.

The mill produced assorted grades of flour for over 100 years during the tenure of nine owners. Finely ground cake flour was a specialty of Adams Mill. Commercial milling ceased in the 1950s, but the mill ran in demonstration until 2003 when a flood took the headwall.

The mill was acquired by a new non-profit group, Adams Mill Inc. in 2011, and renovations were completed in 2013. The group is also restoring New- man Woods to its original state as a wooded wetland.

The woods is interior to the 71 acre Oxbow Natural Area which surrounds the mill and provides visitors with opportunities for gatherings and unique excursions in nature.



Tour the 1845 Grist Mill & Museum of Americana

Located East of Cutler on Scenic Wildcat Creek

Adjacent to Oxbow Natural Area with Hiking Trails and 1872 Adams Mill Covered Bridge

Listed on the National Register of Historic Places

*Weddings, Festivals, Group Events
Camping (Tent Sites and Cabins)
Canoe/Fishing Public Access*

765-268-2530

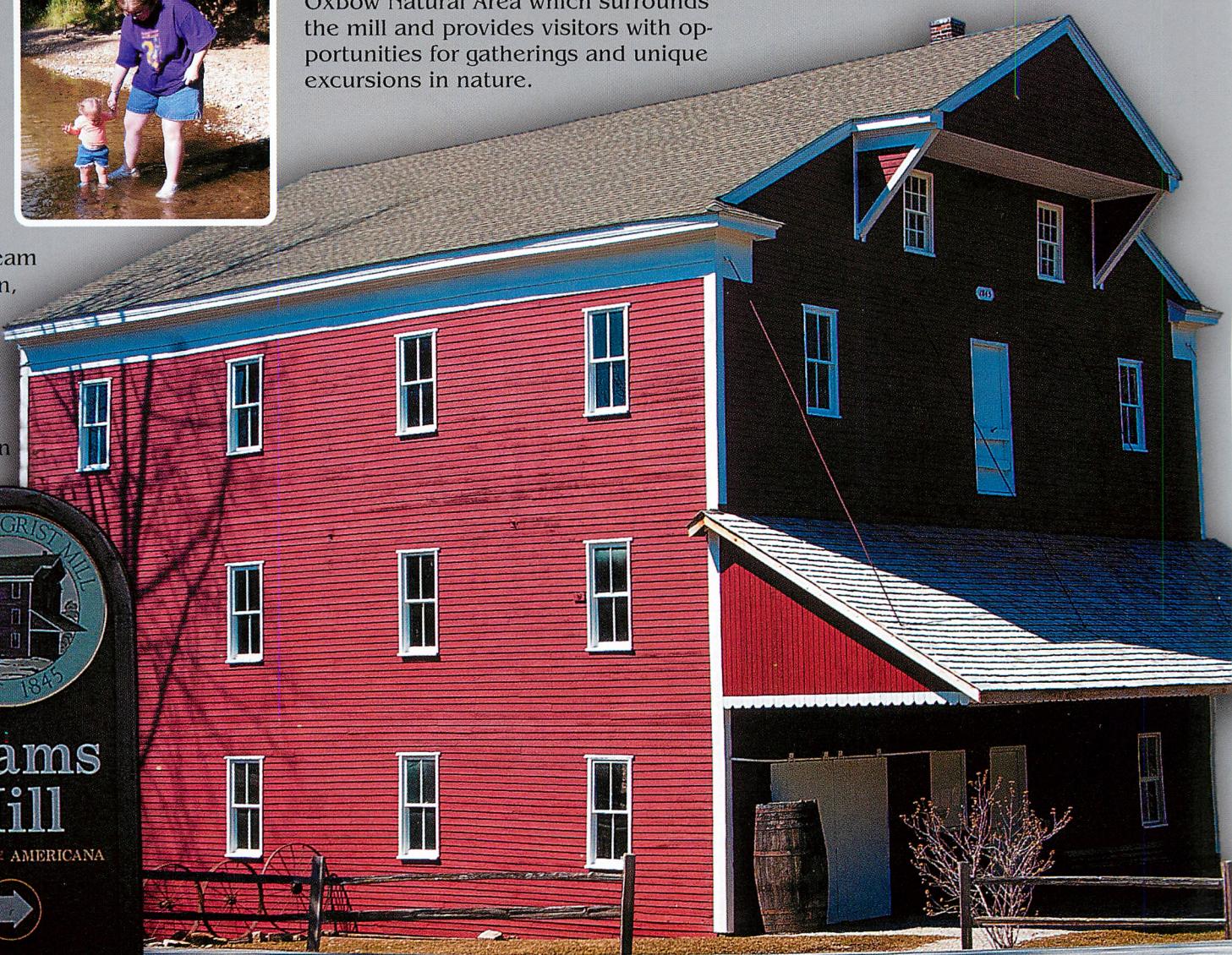
www.adams-mill.org

Open mid-April

through mid-October

Saturdays and Sundays 1-5 pm

Other Hours by Appointment



Picture Yourself . . . in History

Picture yourself walking through Indiana history at any of our featured sites. Enjoy the Museum of Americana at Adams Mill, located on Wildcat Creek near Cutler. Experience the only remaining section of the Wabash & Erie Canal that holds water. You can visit Canal Park, the Interpretive Museum, Pioneer Village or take a ride on the Delphi canal boat. The Carroll County Historical Museum houses an extensive collection of genealogical materials, Civil War diaries and documents from early settlers. The Camden Museum is located within the Camden Public Library, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. It showcases a nice collection of Camden memorabilia. The Opera House, on the Delphi courthouse square, features events throughout the year. The Gallery of Contemporary Art shares the same building and showcases renowned regional artists, special exhibits and a gift shop where the proceeds go to the renovation of the 1800's Delphi Opera House.

Architecture

A lot can be learned about Carroll County just by looking at its rural architecture, from the one room school houses to historic bridges and fine architecturally noteworthy homes that have sheltered our families for decades. The significance of agriculture to our county can be seen by the many rural features such as the old barns and farmhouses. A barn played an important role in the livelihood of Carroll County farmers and many old barns can be seen around the county today, including three round barns.

Many fine homes built during the 1800s still grace the county today. A walking architectural tour is available in Delphi. Our county can boast of 22 National Register listings, most notably, the 1916 Neoclassical style county courthouse made of Indiana limestone and elaborate interior features of a stained glass dome over a beautiful mosaic tile floor. The courthouse sits at the center of the Delphi Courthouse Square National Register Historic District.

The district includes forty-three buildings, many dating from the 1850s through the 1870s. Within the district are three buildings previously listed individually on the National Register: the 1864 Old Delphi City Hall and Opera House, the 1874 Niewerth building, along with the Courthouse.

Carroll Manor was built by the county in 1911 and even today functions as was originally intended housing up to 40 residents. But it cannot be compared to the traditional "county farm" of yesteryear, with its authentic historical interior being as impressive as its majestic exterior.



**Carroll County
Historical Museum and
Genealogy Center**

Located in the Carroll County Courthouse
Hours: Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9am - 4pm
Mark Smith, Genealogy Assistant
765-564-3152
www.carrollcountymuseum.org • carrollcountycchs@gmail.com

One Room Schoolhouses

Little red brick, one-room schoolhouses that dotted the countryside were once commonplace and are symbolic to our country's earnest commitment to education.

In most country and small towns, all of the students met in a single room. There, a teacher taught academic basics to several grade levels of boys and girls.

Some are now historic museums or private residences. Today there are 15 one-room schools still standing in Carroll County that are not homes. At least eight more have been made into family homes.

One such schoolhouse, known as the Martin Schoolhouse is located at 100W 750N between Rockfield and Burrows just off of SR 25. Use the CR 50W exit then turn right on 750N. The schoolhouse was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1988, mostly because of its Gothic ceiling, windows and woodwork trim. It is now owned and maintained by the Friends of Carroll County Parks.

These schools were usually sparsely decorated except for pictures of George Washington and Abe Lincoln. An average of 20 - 25 students from grades one through eight filled the schoolhouse. A pot-bellied stove warmed the room, and an organ sat in the corner used for group singing and socials. *Contact the Chamber for tour information at 765-564-6757.*



Photo courtesy of
R. Fields, Indiana DNR

Adams Mill & Adams Mill Covered Bridge

500 S 75 E, Cutler, Indiana

- Grist mill built in 1845 by John Adams.
- Nominal fees for tours, camping and events.

765-268-2530 • www.adams-mill.org

Picture yourself in history . . . along the banks of the scenic Wildcat Creek, you can enjoy a tour of an old grist mill and museum.

Adams Mill is also a popular venue for fishing, tubing, canoeing, kayaking, hiking, biking and camping. *More information on the mill is located on the previous page of this guide & under the "Camping" section.*

Camden Museum

183 W. Main Street, Camden

574-686-2120 • camden.lib.in.us

Tue-Fri - 2pm-6:30pm • Sat - 9am-1pm

Closed Sun & Mon

The Town of Camden has gathered an interesting collection of local memorabilia and housed it on the second floor of its Public Library.

The Library is in a National Register building which has been nicely restored by local volunteers. The Camden Museum contains many artifacts from the town's past. The curtain from the Camden Opera House, turn-of-the-century opera clothes, a land grant signed by President Martin Van Buren, and school trophies and pictures dating back to the first graduating class of 1899 provides a glimpse of life over the years in this small town.

Carroll County Historical Museum

101 West Main Street, Delphi

Ground Floor of the Courthouse

Hours: Tu, Th & F - 9am-4pm

765-564-3152

www.carrollcountymuseum.org

The Carroll County Historical Museum houses many early artifacts and documents from throughout the county. The Museum also has an extensive collection of genealogical materials which include primary sources such as original marriage certificates, school records, histories, census data, family records and genealogies, and other types of material.

The Historical Society volunteers have constructed many databases, and some of those relevant to genealogy are online at the Museum website

which also hosts a digital photo archive of over 15,000 photographs of people, places, and events in Carroll County.

Stories of the past are imprinted everywhere in Carroll County. You can learn about the early settlers and sites from at least 20 historical markers that help narrate our interesting past. You can research your family's history via cemeteries and burial sites. A listing of markers and over 90 cemeteries is available at the museum or access the cemeteries at www.CarrollCountyIndiana.com.

Wabash & Erie Canal Park & Interpretive Center

1030 N. Washington St, Delphi
765-564-2870

www.wabashanderiecanal.org

Canal Park

Open Dawn to Dusk - FREE

Interpretive Center

Open Daily 1-4pm, 10am on Sat
FREE – Donations Appreciated

Canal Boat Rides

Sat: 11am & 1pm – Sun: 1pm
Adult \$7 Child \$4; Lapsitters: FREE

Take a ride into history at the Wabash & Erie Canal Park. In the early



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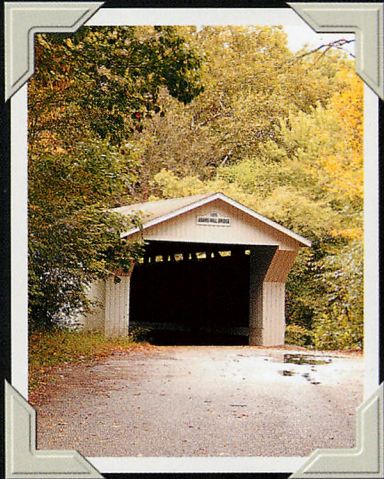
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1800s, canal boats carried people and goods across the country. The Delphi, a replica boat, is available for rides on a mile-long section of the canal. The boat is also available for rent for special group occasions.

Canal Park recreates history with buildings and displays reflecting life in the canal era. The Interpretive Center offers interactive exhibits which reveal the fascinating 1832-76 timeline for the creation and development of the Wabash & Erie Canal—the largest man-made waterway in the United States.

Trails, once traversed by mules pulling the canal boats, part of historic Delphi's 10 mile trail system, are perfect for hiking, biking, bird-watching or other activities.

See back cover advertisement for more information or visit their website.



Delphi Opera House

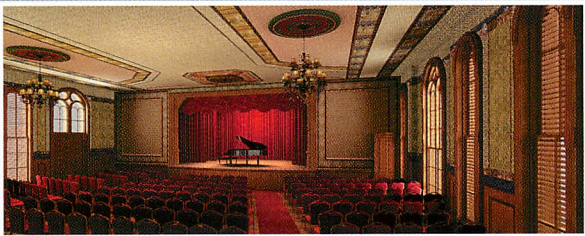
109 S. Washington St., Delphi
www.delphioperahouse.org

The Delphi Opera House is located in the 1864 "City Hall" named for the grand hall on its third floor. The center for entertainment in the late 1800s and early 1900s, the opera house hosted theatre troupes, minstrel shows, local drama, concerts, lectures, and more. James Whitcomb Riley performed there at least six times. Decades in the works, the restoration of the opera house is under construction! DOH will reopen as a performing arts venue and community center in late 2015.

During construction, DOH2 (former Methodist Church) is being used for concerts, dinners, and other events; space rentals for meetings, studios, weddings; art classes and fitness; and the Opera House Gallery.



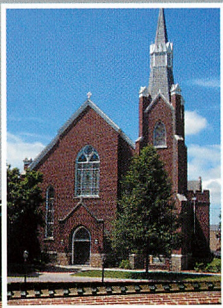
Delphi Opera House Facade



Opera House Gallery at DOH2

118 N. Union St., Delphi • 765-564-4300
www.delphioperahouse.org
Open 11am-4pm Wed-Sat

While the Opera House is being restored, the Opera House Gallery has relocated to Delphi Opera House 2 (former Methodist Church). Showcasing local artists, the Gallery features Rena Brouwer, Alan McConnell and guest artists. A portion of the proceeds benefit the restoration of the Opera House.



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Picture Yourself . . . in the Rural Landscape

Transportation in Carroll County has changed greatly since the first settlers. Initially, it consisted of water travel on the Wabash or Deer Creek. Land travel routes followed Indian trails through densely wooded forests. The first roads were dirt paths barely wide enough for a wagon and were lined with mud holes and tree stumps.

The opening of the Wabash & Erie Canal in the 1840s connected Delphi to cities and towns in the East and to towns and ports to the south. By the 1870s the canal had given way to the steam engines of the railroads. The crossing of two major railroad lines connected Carroll County to major cities in all directions.

Overland travel evolved from dirt roads to wood plank roads with toll houses, such as the Michigan Road Historic Byway. First wood, then iron, and finally concrete bridged rivers and streams that were originally forded. The first plank road was from Delphi to Frankfort. By 1877 Carroll County further improved its transportation routes by introducing gravel roads.

The next major change was the introduction of the Interurban electric

railway. These single car transports, known as the Ft. Wayne & Wabash Valley Traction Company ran through small towns and larger communities. With the coming of paved highways, the old Interurbans gradually gave way to motor cars as the leading form of public transportation.

Today you may see a contrast between past and present. Carroll County is home to two airports and yet you may find yourself taking a ride on a canal boat or sharing the road with a horse and buggy.

Scenic Driving Routes

The Scenic routes on the map illustrate three suggested driving routes, two bicycle routes, access to Lake Freeman and put in and take out canoe or kayaking locations along our many waterways. You can also use the map to create your own adventure.

Wildcat Creek Scenic

Driving Route - This scenic driving tour along Wildcat Creek takes you past historic Adams Mill, the Adams Mill and Lancaster covered bridges, a round barn and Xenia Iron Bridge.

Wabash River Scenic

Driving Route - This route follows the remnants of Wabash & Erie Canal along Towpath Road. It crosses over Carrollton Bridge and travels through the small community of Lockport. You will also cross over the 1837 Burnett's Creek Arch, pass near three Potawatomi Trail of Death markers, and see the natural water spring where locals get fresh drinking water in Pittsburg.

Bridges

Many of Carroll County's notable bridges have been preserved or restored. There are over 100 bridges in the county crossing major rivers and smaller creeks and tributaries. Twenty-three

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have been identified as historically significant and three are listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The Monon Railroad trestle, known locally as High Bridge, is the second longest and third highest trestle in Indiana, at 853 feet long and 65 feet above Deer Creek. Built in 1891, it's located at the eastern terminus of Delphi's Monon Trail.

Another historic gem, Burnett's Creek Arch, honored as the oldest bridge in Indiana, carried the Wabash & Erie Canal over the creek. It is a prime example of 1830's engineering. Three layers of black walnut beams make up the arch's foundation, and the limestone arch was built without mortar.

Among the many historic bridges are two covered bridges, both of which have been restored. Covered bridges gave protection for floors



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and helped nervous horses focus on the far bank. They were built wide enough for a load of hay to pass through but not for two-way traffic. The Adams Mill Covered Bridge was reopened for 3-ton traffic in October 1999. Window openings were added on both sides so that the view of Wildcat Creek could be enjoyed.

The Lancaster Covered Bridge, over Wildcat Creek near Owasco, is also located in a very scenic area. It features a Howe-truss design and is one of two in Indiana with a unique iron substructure.

Lockport Bridge is Indiana's longest continuous T-beam bridge. Its streamlined beams and graceful arches are a nice example of Art Deco style.

Tioga Bridge is a pedestrian-only bridge that offers a spectacular view of the Tippecanoe River and connects walkers to neighboring White County. Tioga is the longest, two-span Whipple through truss structure in Indiana.

A more complete brochure on Carroll County bridges which includes a driving and biking tour is available at the Canal Interpretive Center or can be downloaded at: www.CarrollCountyIndiana.com.

Michigan Road Historic Byway

Michigan Road is Indiana's earliest north-south "highway," commissioned in 1826 and completed in the 1830s. It runs from Madison to Michigan City, opening the northern part of the state to settlement and providing an avenue for commerce. Its route is in eastern Carroll County along SR 29 through Burlington, Carrollton, Wheeling and Deer Creek. The 100-foot right-of-way was cleared to one-foot tree stumps, and a 30-foot path was smoothed for wagon passage. It was later corduroyed with logs in low places, and then a plank road was constructed. Later still, it was a gravel road, and



Schoenstatt Wayside Shrine

A quiet place for reflection and grace

Located near the historic trails on Hwys 421 and 18 north of the intersection of Hwy 25 in Delphi.

www.schoenstattindiana.org



This is the future site of the Shrine Chapel and Schoenstatt Education and Retreat Center with guest rooms for families, individuals and youth.



toll booths in Burlington and Deer Creek collected turnpike fees.

Significant sites along the Michigan Road Historic Byway (designated in 2011) includes early buildings in the town of Burlington, which was also a crossroads for the Lafayette-Muncie stagecoach route.

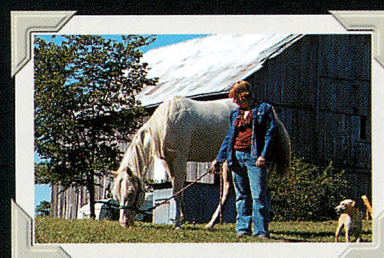
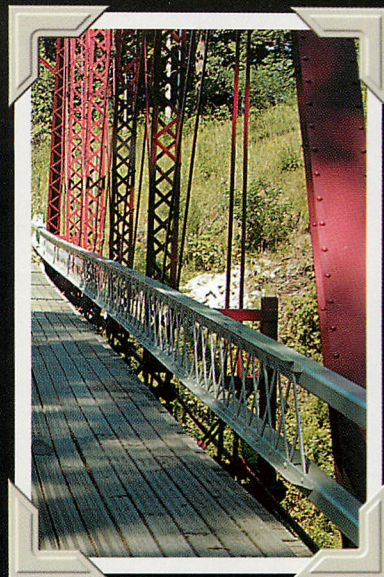
Just south of Deer Creek, along the current route, Sycamore Row stands to the west of the highway. The Sycamores grew up at the edge of the road during the plank road era, and their majestic presence still stands as a memory of days gone by.

For more information and map visit www.HistoricMichiganRoad.org.

Airports

Carroll County offers two airports—one south of Delphi and one near Flora. The Delphi Municipal Airport is owned by the City of Delphi. It is located at 8296 W. Division Line Road south of Delphi. It is base to about 25 aircraft and includes an office and lounge area as well as a 2,900-foot paved runway. The airport is also home to Chapter 256 of the Experimental Aircraft Association and Air Indiana Skydive.

The Flora Municipal Airport has 2,143 feet of turf runway and is located west of Flora, 1/4 mile south of State Road 18 West on CR 150 W. Details about these facilities may be found at www.airnav.com.



Scenic Routes



Wildcat Creek Scenic Driving Route

This driving tour along the Wildcat Creek takes you past historic Adams Mill (1845), the Adams Mill (1872) and Lancaster (1870) covered bridges, Warren Adams house (Italianate, 1860), a round barn, & Xenia Bridge.



Wabash River Scenic Driving Route

This route follows the remnants of the Wabash & Erie Canal along Towpath Road. It crosses Carrollton Bridge. The information panel at the bridge explains how canal boats crossed the Wabash River. You'll cross over Indiana's oldest bridge, the 1837 Burnett's Creek Arch, and pass near three Trail of Death monuments.



Antiques & Uniques Driving Route

Whether you are looking for that perfect treasure for your home or a special gift for someone else, you will find it in one of Carroll County's delightful communities. Find a piece of the past in a variety of antique shops & one-of-a-kind boutiques, each having that small town charm. Furnishings, china, glassware and even vintage clothing & jewelry are available here.



Canoe Routes

You have a choice of four waterways to canoe: the Wabash and Tippecanoe Rivers and Wildcat and Deer Creeks. Use your own watercraft or rent one from a local outfitter. Many historic sites are on or near these waterways.



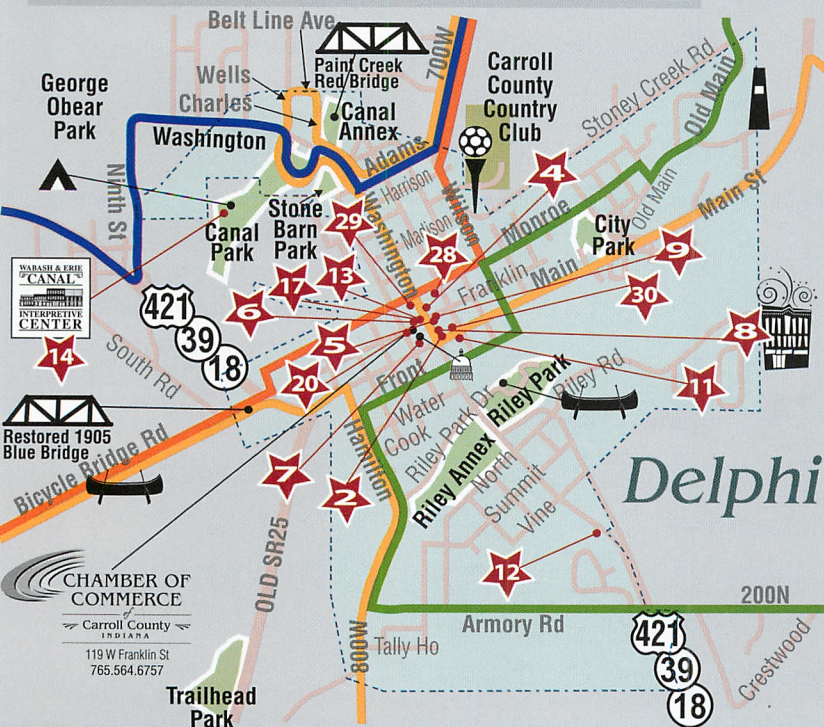
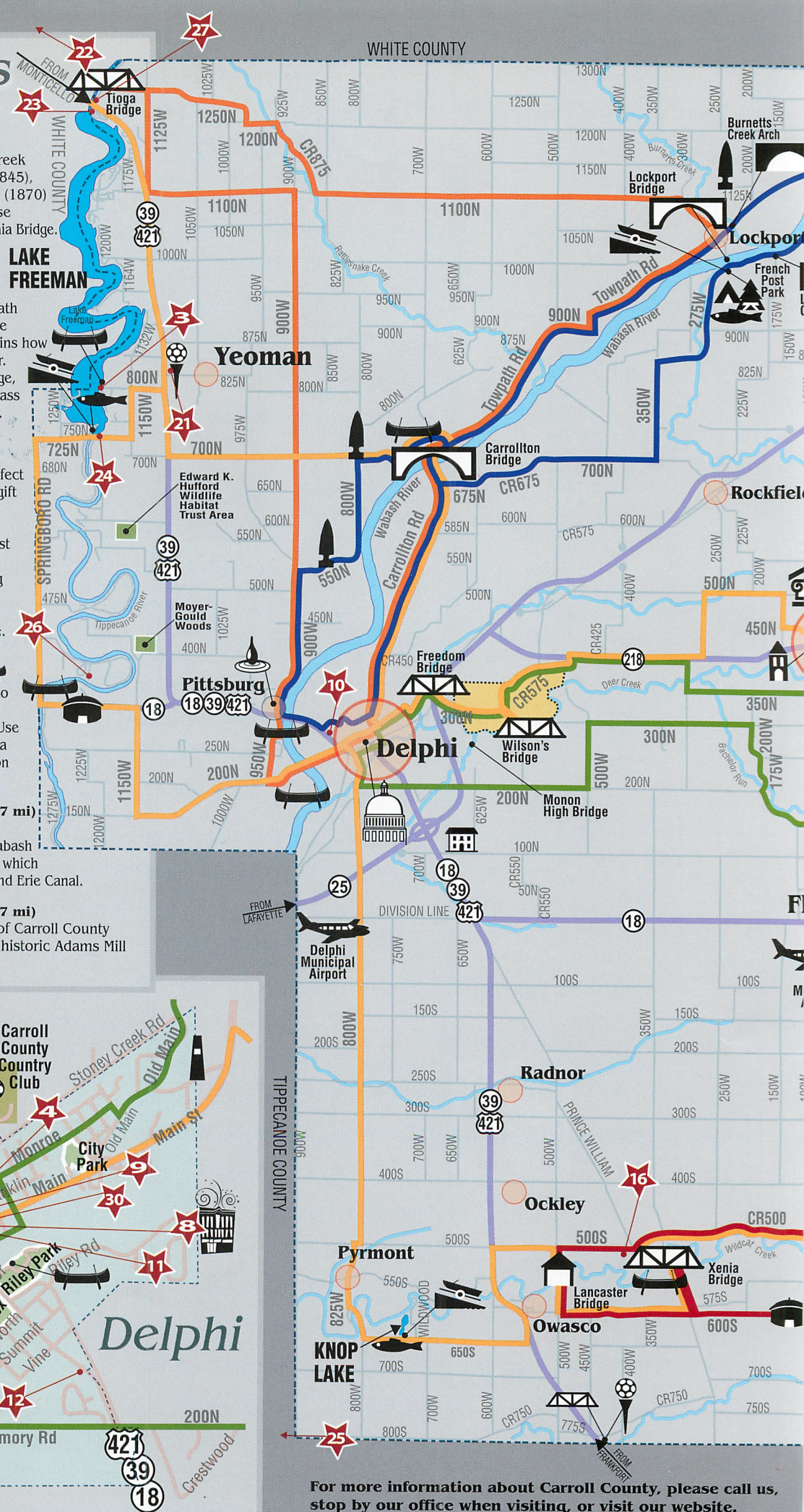
Bicycle Route #1 (approx. 37 mi)

This route traverses through a gently rolling landscape of farms, into the Wabash River Valley, and along Towpath Road, which parallels the remains of the Wabash and Erie Canal.



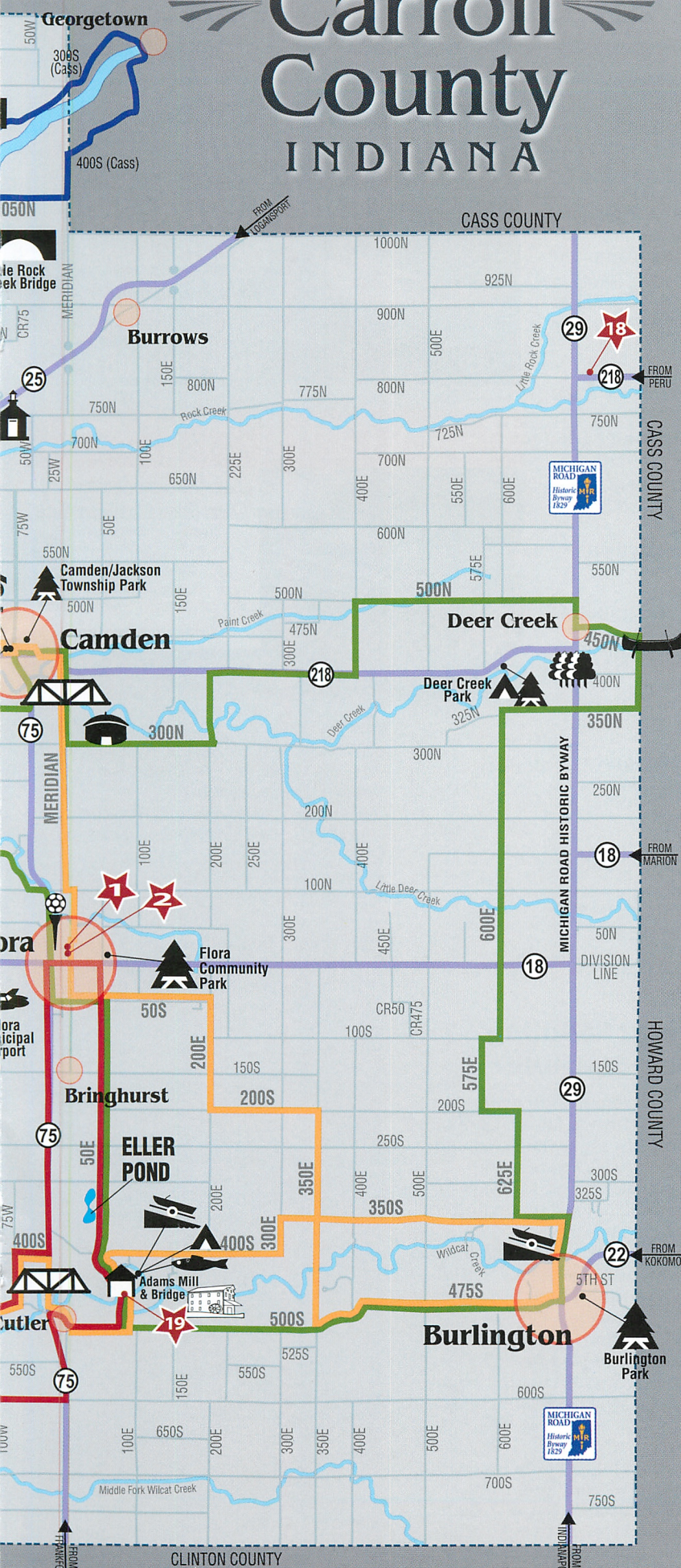
Bicycle Route #2 (approx. 57 mi)

This route travels across the heart of Carroll County through its friendly towns and past historic Adams Mill and a covered bridge.



For more information about Carroll County, please call us, stop by our office when visiting, or visit our website.

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Locate Visitor Guide Advertisers on the Map by the Number located in their Ad



Delphi Airport
8296 W Division Line Rd, Delphi
765-564-1185
Flora Airport
530 CR 150 W, Flora
574-967-4303



Adams Mill & Covered Bridge
500 S 75 E, Cutler
765-268-2530



Camden Museum
183 W Main, Camden
574-686-2120



Camden Masonic Temple
213 W Main, Camden



Camping Facility



Carroll Manor
6409 W 100 N, Delphi
765-564-4340



Carroll County Courthouse
101 W Main, Delphi
765-564-3152



Delphi Opera House & Gallery of Contemporary Art
109 S Washington, Delphi
765-564-4300



Golf Course



Martin Schoolhouse
750 N 100 W, Rockfield
765-564-6757
(by appointment)



Potawatomi Trail of Death Marker



Round Barns
(on private property)
1) 12252 W St Rd 18, Delphi
2) 1149 W 600 S, Cutler
3) 715 E 300 N, Camden



Sycamore Row
400 N SR 29
Near Deer Creek



Samuel Milroy Monument
1521 Old Camden Rd, Delphi



Wabash & Erie Canal & Interpretive Center
1030 N Washington St, Delphi
765-564-2870



Not All Bridges are Listed Here
Adams Mill Covered Bridge
50E 450S, Cutler



Burnett's Creek Arch
Towpath Road North of Lockport



Carrollton Bridge
Carrollton Road at 700N



Freedom Bridge
Across SR25 at 300N, Delphi



Lancaster Covered Bridge
Near Owasco on 500 W



Paint Creek Bridge (restored)
Canal Park Annex
N Washington St, Delphi



Wilson's Bridge
550W 300N, Delphi



PAS - Public Access Site (DNR)



Public Access



PFA - Public Fishing Area (DNR)



Eller Pond
On 50 E
North of 400 S



Knop Lake
650 S between
Pymont & Owasco



Lake Freeman
Northwestern Carroll
County West of US 421



Pittsburg Spring
Natural Water Spring
900 W, Pittsburg



Deer Creek Valley Rural Historic District
(shaded yellow on map)
East of Delphi along 300 N



Burlington Community Park
East IN 22, Burlington



Camden/Jackson Twp Park
James St, Camden
Deer Creek Park
6336 E SR 218, Camden
West of Deer Creek



Flora Community Park
East Main Street, Flora
French Post Park
9954 N 275 W, Delphi
South of Lockport



Parks on Delphi Map



Canal Park & Canal Park Annex
N Washington St, Delphi
City Park
758 E Monroe St, Delphi
George Obeare Overlook
North of Canal Center
Washington St, Delphi
Riley Park & Annex
S Washington St, Delphi
Stone Barn Park
N Washington St, Delphi
Trailhead Park
SR 25 N, West of Delphi

County Bridges

While enjoying the rural landscape of Carroll County, visitors and residents alike will have many opportunities to traverse the historic bridges that dot the county. Carroll County has over 100 bridges crossing major rivers such as the Wabash and Tippecanoe, as well as smaller creeks and tributaries. Of this large number of bridges, over 20 have been identified as historically significant. They vary in style and materials, from the older stone arch and wooden covered bridges, to those later made of metal and concrete. This map designates the location and type of 15 bridges. For information about more of the county's bridges you may visit the county portal website at www.CarrollCountyIndiana.com.



STONE



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METAL



CONCRETE

Picture Yourself . . . on an Outdoor Adventure

Picture yourself taking on a new challenge. Carroll County is home to two county parks and nine town & city parks. Enjoy sunny hikes along paved paths in local cities and towns or over 10 miles of hiking and biking trails along portions of the historic Wabash & Erie Canal. You can also enjoy several miles of rural landscape via the two cycling trails identified in the center map.

Urban & Rural Trails

If you want a little exercise and have a love of architecture, pick up a trail guide map in the city of Delphi and take a close-up look at local architecture. You can also enjoy the natural settings along the paved walking trails located in the Flora, Delphi, and Burlington Parks. *You can download more information at www.CarrollCountyIndiana.com.*

Rural trails include the Adams Mill Oxbow Natural Area near a 50-acre protected wetland with a one-mile walking trail which follows the scenic Wildcat Creek. The banks of the creek form a natural boundary for the oxbow and have created a place for animals and plants to flourish.

NICHES Land Trust protects Moyer-Gould Woods near the Tippecanoe River. The 77-acre preserve is managed as a natural remnant of the oak woodlands that covered our area hundreds of years ago. It contains a 1.5 mile loop hiking trail and half-mile undeveloped frontage along the Tippecanoe River. NICHES owns eight other properties in Carroll County. More information is available at www.nicheslandtrust.org.

Bicycling

Two bicycling routes traverse the county. The first route takes you through the gently rolling landscape of farms in northwestern

Carroll County. This route takes you deep into the Wabash River Valley and along Towpath Road, which parallels the remnants of the Wabash & Erie Canal.

The second route travels across the heart of Carroll County and into the southeastern part of the county through friendly towns and past historic Adams Mill and the Adams Mill covered bridge.

Parks

Burlington Community Park
East IN 22, Burlington

Camden/Jackson Twp Park
James Street, Camden

Canal Park & Canal Park Annex
N. Washington St., Delphi

Deer Creek Park
6336 E SR 218, Camden
West of Deer Creek

Delphi City Park
758 E Monroe Street, Delphi

Flora Community Park
East Main Street, Flora

French Post Park
9954 North 275 West, Delphi
on the Wabash River South
of Lockport

George Obear Overlook
North of Canal Center
Washington St., Delphi

**Riley City Park &
Park Annex**
S Washington Street, Delphi

Stone Barn Park
N Washington Street, Delphi

Trailhead Park
Old SR 25 North (West of Delphi)
Adjacent to Deer Creek



Wildcat Canoe and Kayak Too

Fun on the Wildcat!
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765-589-8081



Madam Carroll

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Monticello, IN 47960

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*Catered by the Historic Sportsman Inn
See Website for Dates and Time

The Madam Carroll
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Park east of Camden offers a large pond with catfish and bass. It is available year-round and has restrooms, water and camping sites available.

The Indiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR) offers Public Fishing Areas (PFAs) at Adams Mill, and Knop Lake on the north branch of Wildcat Creek. A DNR Public Access Site (PAS) is at Burlington and French Post Park. Another PAS, just below Lake Freeman at Oakdale Dam, provides access to the Tippecanoe River. A large state government-owned area on the county's western border provides access to the county's southern portion of the river. Access is from the west and north side of the bridge. Although it's not an officially designated PAS, it has accommodated canoe and boat launches for many years, without problems of trespass being reported. The terrain at the top of the area and leading to the river is unimproved. Parking for 15-20 vehicles is available, but long-term parking on private property should be avoided.

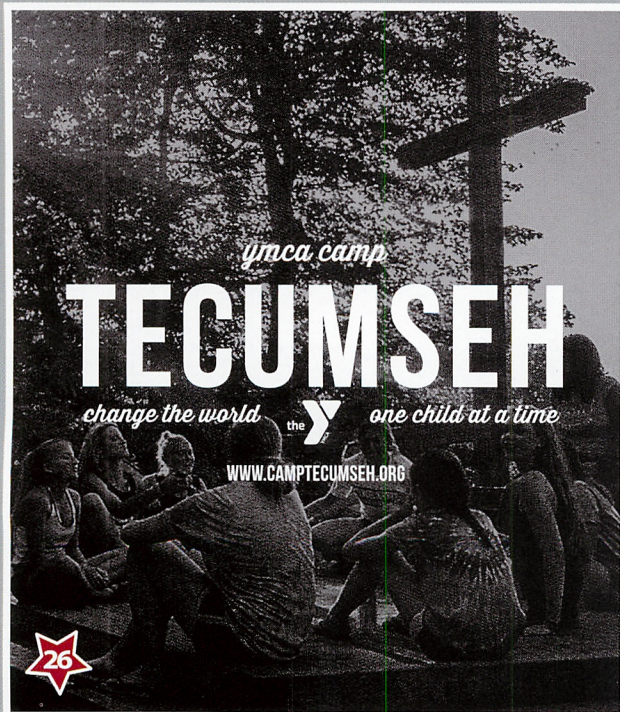
Another DNR site is a Wetland Conservation Area at Eller Pond which can be accessed from nearby State Road 75 in southern Carroll County. Eller Pond has mainly yellow-belly catfish, but you can also find bluegill and crappie there. Canoes and small boats with battery-powered motors are allowed on the pond. The Eller Pond Wetland Conservation Area is popular for bird watching, frog and waterfowl hunting, and observation of all types of wetland plants and animals. You may also spot a bald eagle or sand hill cranes there.

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Boating, Paddling, Fishing & Wildlife


Lake Freeman, a large recreational lake in northwest Carroll County, offers boating, water-skiing, fishing and more. Fee access is available to the lake at Tall Timber's Marina. Paddlers have their choice of four waterways; Wildcat Creek is one of only three Natural and Scenic waterways in the state. The Wabash and Tippecanoe Rivers are included on Indiana's Outstanding Rivers and Streams list. Also, the lesser known but very beautiful Deer Creek was often written about by Hoosier poet James Whitcomb Riley, who was a frequent visitor to the county.

What weekend get-away would be complete without a relaxing afternoon of fishing. Carroll County has an abundance of rivers, creeks, ponds and lakes; so, it's easy to find a rich fishin' hole. Deer Creek



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will also enjoy the Edward K. Hufford Wildlife Habitat Trust Area, a 136-acre hunting and wildlife area managed by the Indiana DNR, Division of Fish and Wildlife. The area lies near the Tippecanoe River off of 39/421 N.

Public access fishing areas as well as put-in and take-out canoe and kayak sites are identified on the center spread map.

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The map in the center of this guide will help you begin a one-of-a-kind shopping experience. You'll find very unique items along the **Antiques & Uniques Driving Route** shown on the map.

The route travels all over the county through each of our small towns, while taking you past many points of interest. You may find that missing piece of great-grandmother's china or a great piece of primitive furniture.

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Camping

Overnight camping is available with full electrical hook ups, modern restrooms and showers at Deer Creek Park in northeastern Carroll County. This large park provides picnic facilities, basketball court and playground equipment.

Primitive tent camping is available at French Post Park on the Wabash River. The park offers a picnic shelter, playground, fishing and DNR boat ramp. Call 574-859-2368 or 765-480-9411 or visit www.CarrollCountyIndianaParks.com for reservations at either county-owned park.

At the historic Adams Mill, primitive camp sites are available along the picturesque Wildcat Creek. In addition, it offers rustic cabins that will sleep up to four. Restroom and shower facilities are also available there. The Adams Mill Covered Bridge is close to the property and between the two lies the Oxbow Natural Area for hiking and bird-watching. Call the Adams Mill at 765-268-2530 to reserve campsites or cabins.

Wabash & Erie Canal Park in Delphi offers camping sites with full water and electric hook up. Tent camping is also available along with restrooms

and showers. These are all located behind the Interpretive Center within walking distance to Canal Park and miles of well-groomed walking and biking trails. Call to reserve your spot: 765-564-2870.

The Jefferson Township Conservation Club near Oakdale Dam on Lake Freeman in northwestern Carroll County offers facilities via inexpensive membership for short-term camping, fishing, boating and other activities. Check for availability due to construction. (574-965-2539)

Camping programs are held at widely-known and well-respected Camp Tecumseh YMCA Outdoor Center which is adjacent to the Tippecanoe River in Carroll County. Visit www.camptecumseh.org for information on their resident camps for youth and retreats and programs for adults.

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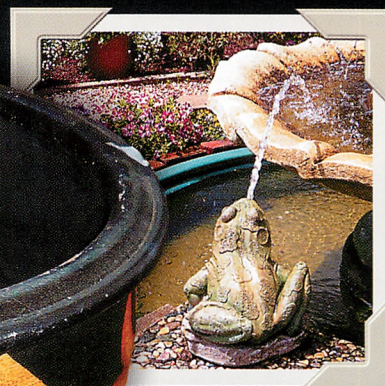
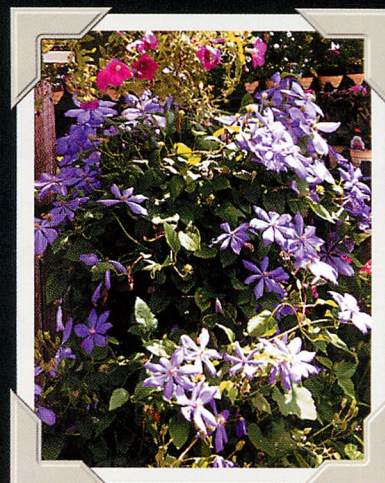
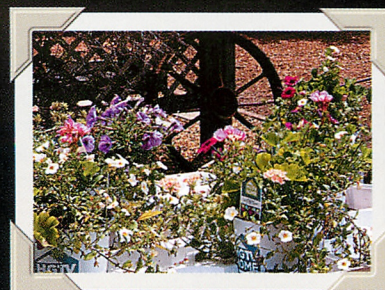
The garden is complete with arbor covered entrance, beautifully landscaped runway, chapel, stage, seating for up to 500, additional parking, and even a photography/videography stand.

At the time of this publication reservations are being accepted for 2015 events.

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Festivals & Events

The season kicks off with the Carroll County Garden Fair in April. The Carroll County Hog Jog and Cruise-In takes place in Flora in June and is known throughout the Midwest. It includes a 10K and 2-mile run, a 2-mile walk and even a 50-meter Runt Jog for the kids. A classic car show follows.

The Farmer's Market begins in June and continues through November. You'll find all kinds of delicious home-grown produce, home-made products and local artisan works in downtown Flora.

Please visit www.CarrollCountyFarmersMarket.org for more information and schedule.

Free canoe rides, food, art, music, educational activities and displays, and Adams Mill tours highlight the Discover the Wild-

cat at Adams Mill festival celebrated annually on the first Saturday in June.

The Canal Days festival is held every 4th of July weekend with narrated trail walks, children's games, food, canal boat rides and carriage rides.

The most historically significant county event is the Old Settlers Meeting and Festival which has taken place each August in Delphi for more than 150 years! Its roots trace back to the annual meeting of the original settlers to the county.

The town of Camden hosts the Annual Tractor & Horse Pull in August for all those looking to see some "horse" power.

The Burlington Fall Festival takes place the third weekend in September and features food, a merchant's tent, karaoke and kids activities. It's fun for the whole family!

Moonlight Madness is held the first Saturday in October in the town of Flora. Start your day at the town-wide garage sales, then stop downtown and enjoy food booths, shopping, games and live entertainment throughout the afternoon.

Don't miss the "Haunted" Adams Mill the 3rd and 4th weekends in October. Tours of the "ghostly" Adams Mill and hayrides through the "Haunted Trails" are sure to prepare you for upcoming Halloween.

Finish the year off at the Old-Fashioned Christmas at Canal Park and enjoy old time craftsmen, period vendors, music and homemade apple dumplings.

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May

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June

Discover Wildcat Creek
1st Sat - Adams Mill

Hog Jog and Cruise-In
Sat before Father's Day - Flora Park

July

Canal Days Festival
1st Weekend - Canal Park, Delphi

August

Old Settlers Festival
2nd Wed thru Sat - Downtown Delphi
Camden Tractor & Horse Pull
3rd Weekend - Camden Park

September

Harvest of Quilts
2nd Thu thru Sat - Multiple Locations
Burlington Fall Festival
3rd Weekend - Burlington Park

October

Moonlight Madness
1st Sat - Downtown Flora
The "Haunted" Adams Mill
3rd and 4th Weekends - Adams Mill

December

Old Fashioned Christmas at the Canal
2nd Weekend - Canal Park, Delphi

Nearby Attractions

One popular attraction is the amusement park at Indiana Beach, which is located on the north side of Monticello. Area wineries include Whyte Horse Winery, also in Monticello, as well as The People's Winery in Logansport, and Wildcat Creek Winery in Lafayette.

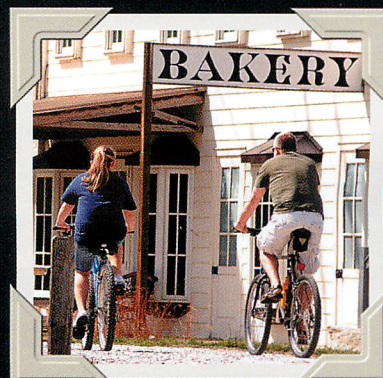
France Park is located in Cass County near the Wabash River northeast of Carroll County's French Post Park. France Park offers fishing, swimming, camping, and other recreational activities.

Prophetstown State Park is located near the confluence of the Tippecanoe and Wabash Rivers near Battle Ground. It offers modern camping facilities in an historic setting of restored prairie and Indian grounds.

Tippecanoe Battlefield Park is located at Battle Ground and features a museum as well as the trailhead for the Wabash Heritage Trail.

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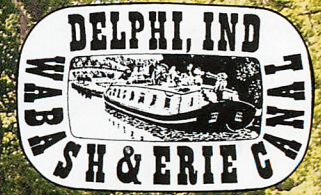
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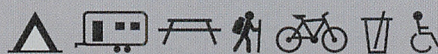
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